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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement stated in the Official Action dated March 26, 2008, Applicant provisionally elects Species I, as shown in Figures 8 and 10A, and identifies Claims 1-6 and 8-17 as readable on the elected species.

Applicant respectfully traverses the outstanding election requirement for following reasons.

First, the outstanding Office Action simply states that “the species listed above do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1, because, under PCT Rule 13.2, species lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons: Special technical feature for species I include the via hole arrangement as shown in figure 10A, Special technical feature for species I include the via hole arrangement as shown in figure 10B. Similarly each of the other species include different technical feature as shown by respective figures, which are not described for the sake of brevity.” It is respectfully submitted that without further information, the aforementioned findings are believed to lack